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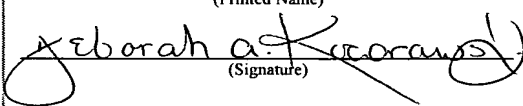
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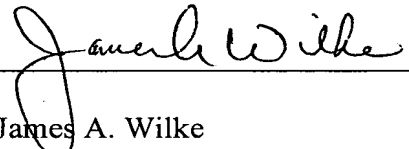
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Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98.

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Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

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The abstract of German Document DE 101 59 533 A1 discloses: The device has a locking ratchet (12) operated by a grip, and a pivoted latch (16). The ratchet is loaded in locking position, and the latch in open position, by a spring (24). A chassis-mounted locking member, pref. a locking bracket (8), is elastically retained by the spring during entry movement into a chamber (21) in the latch. The spring is a bent wire spring, which engages on ratchet and latch, and is supported on pivot bolts (15, 19) of ratchet and/or latch. The pivot movement of the latch into open position is limited by a stop.

The abstract of German Document DE 42 19 429 C1 discloses: The initial locking-portion (11) is on the arm (13) of the catch (1) behind which the pawl locking-member (22) engages. The recess (15) is U-shaped, being enclosed by one end (13c) of the arm and the main locking portion (12). The locking member (22) and the emergency locking member

(24) on the pawl (2) are both hook-shaped. The latter member fits behind the emergency locking portion (14) on the catch in the main locking position. ADVANTAGE – Will still function when damaged or distorted.

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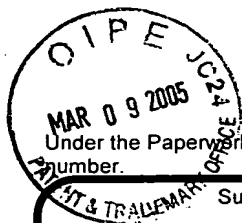
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